

REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the *Office Action*. At the time of the Office Action, Claims 17-36 were pending in the Application. Claims 17-36 were rejected. Claims 17, 24, 31, 32, and 34 have been amended, Claims 22 and 23 have been cancelled, and Claims 37-38 have been added.

Section 101 Rejections

The *Office Action* states that Claims 31-36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. To advance prosecution, Applicants have amended Claims 31, 32, and 34. In view of the amendments, Applicants submit that Claims 31-36 are allowable under 35 U.S.C. § 101.

Section 103 Rejections

Claims 17-32 and 34-36 are rejected in the *Office Action* under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as over International Publication No. 00/73941 A2 to Yalcinalp et al. ("*Yalcinalp*") and U.S. Publication No. 2001/0056460 A1 to Sahota et al. ("*Sahota*"). Claim 33 is rejected in the *Office Action* under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over *Yalcinalp*, *Sahota* and U.S. Patent No. 6,826,597 to Lonnroth et al ("*Lonnroth*").

Applicants respectfully submit that the proposed *Yalcinalp-Sahota* combination and the proposed *Yalcinalp-Sahota-Lonnroth* combination each fail to disclose, teach, or suggest all of the claim limitations of Claim 17. For example, neither combination discloses, teaches, or suggests either "identifying . . . a subset of the plurality of GUI nodes that the user is authorized to access" or "comparing control information associated with the plurality of GUI nodes to credentials associated with the user associated with the request" as required by Claim 17.

In the *Office Action*, the Examiner identifies a passage at page 10, lines 13-19 of *Yalcinalp* as disclosing "a subset of the plurality of GUI nodes that the user is authorized to access." See *Office Action*, p. 3. According to this passage:

Each client 404 has multiple configurations 406, such as "osname," "version," or "platform." Each configuration 406 is described by a set of parameters and values. For each configuration 406 a URL 408 is described by a set of parameters and values. For each configuration 406, a URL 408 describes the source of an XML document (or a set of documents) that may be requested by a client 102, and an XSL stylesheet 410 describes a transformation to apply to an

XML document of a particular configuration 406 to obtain the final transformed document.

Yalcinalp, p. 10, ll. 13-19. In the *Office Action*, the Examiner contends that registry 308 comprises a plurality of GUI nodes. See *Office Action*, p. 3. According to *Yalcinalp*, the registry contains “various XSL transformations for clients, configurations, and applications.” *Yalcinalp*, p. 10, ll. 4-5. Thus, Applicants assume that it is the Examiner’s position that the XSL transformations, configurations, and applications are the “plurality of GUI nodes” recited in Claim 17. The passage cited by the Examiner, however, teaches that each configuration has a URL that describes the source of an XML document that a client may access. Thus, assuming, *arguendo*, that information a client may access is information that a client is *authorized* to access and that registry 308 comprises a plurality of GUI nodes, the XML URL described in *Yalcinalp* indicates what XML documents the user is authorized to access, as opposed to the GUI nodes in registry 308 the user is authorized to access. Specifically, what the Examiner asserts are a plurality of GUI nodes (XSL transformations, configurations, and applications within registry 308), is not information regarding what GUI nodes (XSL transformations, configurations, and applications) a user is authorized to access, but rather information regarding the source of XML documents a client may access. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that *Yalcinalp* fails to disclose, teach, or suggest “identifying . . . a subset of the plurality of GUI nodes that the user is authorized to access” as required by Claim 17. The Examiner has not cited to any portion of *Sahota* or *Lonnroth* that would remedy this deficiency.

Additionally, Applicants respectfully note that the portion of *Yalcinalp* cited by the Examiner for teaching “a subset of the plurality of GUI nodes a user is authorized to access” does not disclose that “control information associated with the plurality of GUI nodes,” let alone “comparing control information associated with the plurality of GUI nodes to credentials associated with the user associated with the request.” Accordingly, *Yalcinalp* fails to disclose, teach, or suggest at least this additional limitation of Claim 17. The Examiner has not cited to any portion of *Sahota* or *Lonnroth* that would remedy this deficiency.

In view of the remarks above, Applicants respectfully submit that independent Claim 17 and its dependents are allowable under §103(a) over the proposed *Yalcinalp-Sahota* and *Yalcinalp-Sahota-Lonnroth* combinations. For analogous reasons, independent Claims 24

and 31 and their respective dependents are also allowable under §103(a) over the proposed *Yalcinalp-Sahota* and *Yalcinalp-Sahota-Lonnroth* combinations.

No Waiver

All of Applicants' arguments are without prejudice or disclaimer. Additionally, Applicants have merely discussed example distinctions from the references cited by the Examiner. The example distinctions discussed by Applicants are sufficient to overcome the Examiner's rejections. Other distinctions may exist, and Applicants reserve the right to discuss these additional distinctions in a later response or on appeal, if appropriate. In addition, Applicants do not acquiesce to the Examiner's statements, regardless of whether Applicants have responded to the statements.

CONCLUSION

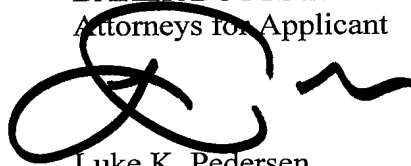
Applicants have made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for allowance. For the foregoing reasons, and for other reasons readily apparent, Applicants respectfully request full allowance of all pending claims.

If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference or an interview would advance prosecution of this Application in any manner, the undersigned attorney for Applicants stands ready to conduct such a conference at the convenience of the Examiner.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$104.00 for two additional claims and any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted,

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